



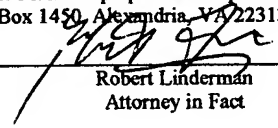
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**AMENDMENT A**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 18, 2004. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

In this Amendment, reference is made to male pronouns such as "he" and "him." It is not intended that these terms be gender-specific; rather, such terms are used herein for convenience, and are meant to include both male and female persons.

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### **AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE OF THE INVENTION**

Please replace the original title ("No Limit Poker game") with the following title, which has been rewritten for clarity and completeness:

"Method of Insuring an All-In Wager in a No-Limit Hold 'Em Poker Game"

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS**

In response to the Examiner's suggestions, please add the following cross-references to related applications, in addition to the related applications previously cited:

#### **U.S. Patent Documents**

6,332,614B1	December 2001	Hesse, Michael A.	273/292.
6,575,467B1	June 2003	Kal, Stephen F.	273/292

### **AMENDMENTS TO THE BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Please replace the text found in the section entitled "Brief Summary of the Invention," beginning on page 3 at line 1 with the following replacement section:

"The invention is a method of limiting a player's potential loss when playing No Limit Texas Hold 'Em. The invention enables a player who has moved all-in to withdraw from a hand at one of two distinct points thereafter and recover a specific percentage of his all-in wager, less a specific fee or charge for the election. Application of the invention thereby reduces the element of luck in No Limit Texas Hold 'Em.

Although the invention is in the nature of insurance against an unreasonable loss in any given hand, because the invention is a new and unique variant of No Limit Texas Hold 'Em that requires a modification in the manner of play of No Limit Texas Hold 'Em, it is equally accurate to characterize the invention as a new card game, as set forth more specifically in the Specification."